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Amendment and Request for Change of Docket Number

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**Applicant:** Paul D. Costain

**Serial No.:** 10/697,416

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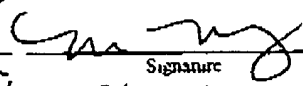
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Application No.: 10/697,416 Group: 3724  
Filed: October 30, 2003 Examiner: Alie, Ghassem  
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Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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X	\$ 100	\$
+	\$ 180	\$

TOTAL= \$ 0OTHER THAN  
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## Petition for Extension of Time

- [ X ] The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated June 16, 2006 for three months, from September 16, 2006 to December 16, 2006 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).  
 In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicant's Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

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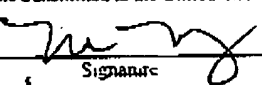
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Sir:

Applicant's attorney requests that the docket number of record for the above-referenced case be changed to 3851.1007-000. This request is made to better identify this application within our offices.

Please provide a corrected Filing Receipt indicating the new attorney docket number.

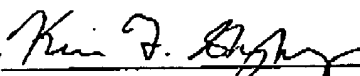
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